# MONTANA INVASIVE SPECIES SUMMIT 2010 TASK FORCE WORKING GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

#### Education -

Carla Hoopes / Lindsey Bona / Ron Aasheim

- 1. What are the primary groups that need to be addressed?
- 2. How can the message be effectively delivered?
- 3. How do we educate boaters and recreationalists before they come to Montana?

## Management -

Brian Burky / Ian Foley / Celestine Duncan

- 1. How do we prepare for an effective rapid response to new invaders?
- 2. What emphasis should be placed on managing established invaders versus new invaders?
- 3. Often, the management of invasive species creates short term natural resource impacts. What levels of impacts are acceptable?

#### Research/Prevention -

Jane Mangold / Tracy Sterling / Peter Rice

- 1. What are our current top research needs in Montana?
- 2. How can the state promote an increase in invasive species research?
- 3. Where do we prioritize our prevention efforts?

### Statewide/Region Approach –

Liz Galli-Noble / Becky Kington / Tim Feldner

- 1. What issues can we approach as a region?
- What actions should occur on a local versus a statewide level?
- 3. Can we get federal resources as a region?

#### Legislation/Funding Component –

Dave Schulz / Cort Jenson

- 1. What gaps exist in the state's current authority to address invasive species?
- 2. What is feasible to accomplish this session?
- 3. What is an adequate level of funding to address invasive species and where should the money come from?

# Implementation Strategy -

Greq Ames / Joe Weigand / Bruce Rich

- 1. How can the state agencies work more collaboratively?
- 2. How do we involve the public and private partners?
- 3. What are the priorities for 2011?